

The Urban League of Essex County at a special meeting

The Urban League of Essex County yesterday ~~XXXXXX~~ issued a series of recommendations to combat the current riots in Newark.

The agency called attention to the fact that in Octo 1961 presented "a detailed on poor community conditions" -- in the board's opinion, had this report been given due consideration, the holocaust of the past three days could have been presented.

Same document presented to press, business community and current mayor shortly after his inauguration, and to the governor, offering specific recommendation in race rels, housing, employment, ed and training and welfare. Also 5 specific recommendations to mayor -- in deliberation today, expressed deep and continued concern for welfare of total community, and noted that the agency since inception of the riot has made repeated efforts to reach the mayor to offer its assistance to help safeguard the interest and welfare of the community at large. board expressed concern that human and civil rights of persons arrested during riots not be abridged, and such persons be accorded full legal rights and decent human treatment while in the hands of the law.

concern was expressed for those persons, who because of existing conditions were restricted in their efforts to secure food, medication and other -- pledged to use all of resources to assist them in securing

reports reaching agency indicated crisis in terms of adequate medical services at City Hosp -- trying to find aid

gravity of problem ~~XXX~~ required full coop of all groups and went on record as ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ sponsoring calling together of civic, rel, fraternal and service groups in the community for the purpose of pooling their resources for the purpose of dealing with the current as well as long term basic factors that gave rise to the current explosion.

The first step in implementing its position, the board decided, an immediate conference with mayor and governor.

trying to set up with salvation army -- investigating city hosp -- destroyed bldg with emergency phone service -- asking drs to man own phones --

I see too many people in street who I knew are not criminals and until recently were rather law-abiding

-- 16 board members and staff --

another staff members said it reminded of Saigon where people lived in Vietcong fear -- weapons and helmets --